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S. RES. 288

Recognizing the life and accomplishments of Wellington Mara of New York.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 26, 2005

Mr. SCHUMER submitted the following resolution; which was considered and
agreed to

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the life and accomplishments of Wellington Mara
of New York.

Whereas Tim Wellington Mara was born on August 14, 1916
in New York City;

Whereas Wellington Mara became a ball boy for the New
York Giants at the age of 9;

Whereas Wellington Mara was made co-owner of the New
York Giants in 1930 at the age of 14;

Whereas Wellington Mara graduated from Loyola High
School, a Jesuit institution in Manhattan, and then at-
tended Fordham University;

Whereas the only interruption in Wellington Mara's 81 years
with the New York Giants organization occurred during
World War II, when he served with distinction for more

than 3 years in the Navy, seeing action in both the Atlantic and Pacific theaters aboard aircraft carriers;

Whereas Wellington Mara was instrumental in crafting an agreement in which larger market teams shared television revenue with smaller market teams, thereby allowing football to thrive throughout the United States;

Whereas under nearly 80 years of Wellington Mara's leadership, the New York Giants made 26 postseason appearances, the second highest in league history, including 18 National Football League Divisional championships, and 6 National Football League championships;

Whereas Wellington Mara displayed an unwavering commitment to his players and coaches by finding doctors for former players, paying for medical expenses, and arranging help for their families;

Whereas Wellington Mara was an invaluable contributor to the National Football League as a member of many ownership committees and has been recognized for always putting the interests of the game ahead of what was best for the New York Giants;

Whereas, in 1997, Wellington Mara was elected to the Professional Football Hall of Fame, joining his father, Tim Mara, who was a charter member of the Hall of Fame; and

Whereas, at the end of a life dedicated to the great game of football, its fans, and players, Wellington Mara passed away on October 25, 2005, at the age of 89: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

1 (1) expresses its most sincere condolences to
2 the family of Wellington Mara, the former Ann
3 Mumm, whom he married in 1954, their 11 children,
4 and 40 grandchildren; and

5 (2) recognizes the life and accomplishments of
6 Wellington Mara, who, for more than 8 decades,
7 dedicated his life to the New York Giants and their
8 millions of fans and supporters.

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